

This weekly email, sent to all University of Sussex staff, contains important news, as well as events and actions for the week ahead.



This week at Sussex

Monday 7 August 2023



Obituary: Sir Gordon Conway

[Sir Gordon was the University's Vice-Chancellor and Chair of the Institute of Development Studies from 1992 to 1998.](#)



Celebrating 50 years of Brighton and Hove Pride

[The University is a proud partner of Brighton and Hove Pride, and this year we sponsored a bus to help those with mobility difficulties to celebrate Pride's 50th anniversary.](#)





Student update

[Read last week's student update](#) from our new Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education and Students), Kate O'Riordan. Kate talks about celebrating diversity and inclusivity at Pride, and shares information for students taking resits.

Our community

New Interim Dean of the School of Media, Arts and Humanities

[Professor Liz James has been appointed](#) Interim Dean of the School of Media, Arts and Humanities, succeeding Professor Kate O'Riordan.

Obituaries: Professor John Scott and Emeritus Professor John Venables

[Professor John Scott, one of the University's former](#) Pro-Vice-Chancellors, has passed away in Melbourne, aged 94.

[Emeritus Professor John Venables](#) has passed away in Lewes, aged 87.



Sussex Professor to lead International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation

Professor Stephen Shute will be the first British President of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation.

Sussex staff awarded national Teaching Excellence Awards

The anatomy team at Brighton and Sussex Medical School has won a Collaborative Award for Teaching Excellence, which also recognises the team's co-creation of Channel 4's *My Dead Body* dissection documentary.

Tab Betts, Lecturer in Higher Education Pedagogy, has been awarded a National Teaching Fellowship for international collaboration in Higher Education learning and teaching.



Meet the Turner Prize shortlist

[Meet Barbara Walker in the final edition of a series featuring shortlisted artists.](#) The Turner Prize is the world's leading prize for contemporary art and Sussex is the Education Partner this year.

Research at Sussex

Research shows significant gaps in support for secondary breast cancer patients

[New research from the Brighton and Sussex Medical School](#) revealed gaps in communication, information and basic support for patients with secondary breast cancer.

Don't miss out

Sussex Technician conference highlights

[See highlights from the University's first Technician Conference,](#) which took place last month at Stanmer House.

Early Career Researcher symposium

[Don't miss out on the highlights of the Early Career Researcher Symposium](#) which took place on Thursday 6 July, as part of the Summer of Research.

Food at Sussex

This week's £2 meals

[Check out this week's £2 meals menu](#), available at the Botanical Café in the Jubilee Building from 12 noon until 2pm.

Creating a better campus

Don't forget to sign in to Okta

[Take action now and sign in to Okta to keep you and the institution protected](#) from cyber threats. Sussex Direct and the IT Services portal will be transferred to Okta on Thursday 10 August.

Transforming Sussex newsletter

[Read the latest edition of the newsletter *Transforming Sussex*](#), which brings you up-to-date information on the projects happening across the University as part of our Capital Programme.

Bramber House roof repairs starting

[Work to replace concrete roof panels in Bramber House](#) will start soon. Stairwells will be closed as work takes place above them.

Sussex in the media

Key stories from the past week

- [Research from the Sussex Baby Lab in the School of Psychology](#) shows that babies and adults have similar taste in Van Gogh Paintings. *The Guardian*, Wednesday 2 August
- [Dr Stephen Wilkins commented on the James Webb Space Telescope](#) capturing a question mark-like image in the depths of space. *Daily Mail*, Thursday 3 August
- [The University has announced plans to give 42% of campus land to nature by 2027](#), as part of an update to its biodiversity strategy. *Business Green*, Friday 4 August

Sussex on social



Learn three things about pollinators

[Dr Beth Nicholls from the School of Life Sciences](#) reveals three things you might not know about pollinators.

Community conversations

Head over to Viva Engage and join the conversations happening this week:

- [Take a sneak preview at the new look for Eat Central](#) as we get ready for a year of changes to campus catering – in the Food at Sussex community
- [Find out about roadworks taking place along Arts Road](#) – in the Campus Travel and Transport community
- [Take a look at plans for the Sussex House undercroft](#), which will be getting a makeover so that it can be put to best use – in the PS Places community

Just click on any group to join the conversations or make your first post.

Keep everything in one place - add the Viva Engage app to Teams

Other important news

Update on the marking and assessment boycott

[Read the update from our HR Director, Colin Shipp](#), on the marking and assessment boycott in the forthcoming A3 (resit) assessment period.

Applications for campus parking permits open this week

[You can apply for campus parking permits and parking passes](#) for the next

academic year from tomorrow, Tuesday 8 August. All previous existing permits expire on Thursday 31 August.

Transport update

[Read this week's transport update](#) which includes information about roadworks on and off campus, and rail strikes during August.

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If you would like to include something in the newsletter please submit this to internalcomms@sussex.ac.uk by 2pm the preceding Thursday.

Our next edition will be on Monday 14 August.

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